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In re the Application of

Jean-Noel THOREL et al.

Prior Group Art Unit: 1651

Application No.: 08/860,231

Prior Examiner: J. Witz

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For: COMPLETE NUTRIENT MEDIUM FOR USE AS A COSMETIC AND COSMETIC
USE THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the Continued Prosecution Application filed August 7, 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 41, 65, 66, 70, 72-74, 76, 81-95 and 113-127 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claims 40, 71, 75, 77, 80, 112, 128 and 129 as follows:

40. (Twice Amended) A method of cosmetic treatment, comprising contacting only an area of human skin whose integrity has not been breached by injury with a treatment composition comprising an aqueous complex nutritive base comprising a plurality of amino acids, at least one vitamin, a plurality of assimilable organic components, and at least one inorganic salt, wherein said treatment composition does not comprise a biological extract of animal or cellular origin, or a living nourishing substrate, or a cellular growth stimulating compound or factor, or a hormone.